

REMARKS

This response is offered in reply to the office action of September 11, 2006. A petition and fee for a one (1) month time extension are enclosed.

Claims 6, 8, 9, 12, 15, 19, 21, 24 and 26 are allowed in paragraph 4 of the office action.

In paragraph 3 of the office action, claims 1-3, 7, 10, 11, 13, 14, 22, and 23 are rejected under 35 USC 103(a) in view of the cited Bertels US Patent 3,202,793 taken with the Wang US Patent 6,373,021.

Although disagreeing with the rejection, Applicants have canceled claims 1-3, 7, 10, 11, 13, 14, 22, and 23 in order to advance prosecution of the application.

This leaves allowed claims 6, 8, 9, 12, 15, 19, 21, 24 and 26 pending in the application and is believed to place the application in condition for allowance.

Applicants request entry of this amendment and passing of this application to issue.

Respectfully submitted,



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